

Codebook for “Dominant Personality and Politically Inexperienced Presidents Challenge Term Limits”

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Variable	Description and Values
ccode	<p>Country Code by ISO Alpha-3.</p> <p>Values: ARG (Argentina), BRA (Brazil), BOL (Bolivia), CHL (Chile), COL (Colombia), CRI (Costa Rica), DOM (Dominican Republic), ECU (Ecuador), GTM (Guatemala), HND (Honduras), MEX (Mexico), NIC (Nicaragua), PAN (Panama), PER (Peru), PRY (Paraguay), SLV (El Salvador), URY (Uruguay), VEN (Venezuela).</p>
cowcode	<p>Correlates of War country code.</p> <p>Values: 40 (Cuba), 42 (Dominican Republic), 70 (Mexico), 90 (Guatemala), 91 (Honduras), 92 (El Salvador), 93 (Nicaragua), 94 (Costa Rica), 95 (Panama), 100 (Colombia), 101 (Venezuela), 130 (Ecuador), 135 (Peru), 140 (Brazil), 145 (Bolivia), 150 (Paraguay), 155 (Chile), 160 (Argentina), 165 (Uruguay).</p>
pcode	<p>President’s unique 8-digit numeric code. The first three digits are the cowcode of the president’s country, the next four digits indicate the year the president took office, and the remaining digit indicates the order in which the president took office in the year. The value of pcode does not change if a president returns to office.</p>
pcode2	<p>Presidential administration 8-digit numeric code.</p> <p>The administration’s code is constructed using the same principle for PCODE, but the year and the order in which a president takes office are updated.</p>
year	<p>Observation at December 31.</p>

	Values: 1930-2012.
leadertermattemp	President tries to relax her term limits. Values: 0-1 (no-yes).
g_hapl	Proportion of the Lower House that supports the president. Values: 0-1.
enphapl	Effective number of parties in the Lower House. Values: 1-10.44.
ageparty	Number of years of a political party. Values: 1-10.44.
stronglegpower	The legislative powers of the president are one standard deviation above the mean in Negretto's dataset. Values: 0-1 (no-yes).
strongnon_legpower	The nonlegislative powers of the president are one standard deviation above the mean in Negretto's dataset. Values: 0-1 (no-yes).
noreelection	The president assumes office with fully restricted re-election. Values: 0-1 (no-yes).
amnvariable	Difficulty of amending the constitution. The value is zero when there is no need of a Congress to amend the constitution, one when an absolute majority of Congress can amend, two when an absolute majority of Congress plus something else can amend, three when three fifths of Congress can amend, four when two thirds of Congress can amend, and five when two thirds of Congress or other elected body and something more are required. Values: 0-5.
v2juhcind	Varieties of Democracy's index of High Court Independence.

	Values: -2.87-2.48
gpgdp	World Bank's annual GDP per capita growth (measured in 2000 US\$) Values: -.17-.32
polityivpolity2	Polity IV Project's annual polity2 index. Values: -9-10
yearsinoffice	Number of years the president has been in office. Values: 0-23
yearsinoffice2	Yearsinoffice squared. Values: 0-529
Yearsinoffice3	Yearsinoffice cubed. Values: 0-12,167
avgdom	Dominance of the president. Values: 2.36-4.75
political_inexperience	Political inexperience of the president. Values: 1-4.
successtermattempt	President relaxes her term limits. Values: 0-1 (no-yes).
years_inpolitics	Number of years a president was a politician before becoming head of government. Values: 0-58.
years_inpoliticscategories	years_inpolitics in four categories: 20 or more years (1), 10-19 years (2), 1-9 years (3), and 0 years (4). Values: 1-4.

political_inexperience_dummy	<p>The president did not have formal political experience before taking office.</p> <p>Values: 0-1 (no-yes).</p>
birth_order	<p>The order in which the president was born.</p> <p>Values: 1-13.</p>
first_child	<p>The president was a firstborn.</p> <p>Values: 0-1 (no-yes).</p>
entrepreneur	<p>The president was an entrepreneur before becoming head of government.</p> <p>Values: 0-1 (no-yes).</p>
foreigner	<p>The president was born abroad.</p> <p>Values: 0-1 (no-yes).</p>
avgdomperf	<p>Dominance of the president excluding values provided by experts who strongly approved or disapproved of the leaders' performances.</p> <p>Values: 2.36-4.73.</p>
agepres	<p>Age of the president.</p> <p>Values: 34-90.</p>
education	<p>Formal education attained by the president. One is for incomplete high school; 2 for complete high school; for incomplete college education; 4 for complete college education; 5 for master's degree, and 6 for Ph.D. or two college degrees.</p> <p>Values: 1-6.</p>
political_ideology1	<p>Political ideology of the president. 1 is for far left; 2 for left; 3 for center-left; 4 for center; 5 for center-right; 6 for right, and 7 for far-right.</p>

	Values: 1-7.
avgextraversion	Extraversion of the president. Values: 1.5-4.88.
indexpolexperience	Sum of years_inpoliticscategories and political_inexperience. Values: 2-8.
interim	President is interim. Values: 0-1 (no-yes).
Puppet	President is puppet. Values: 0-1 (no-yes).
early_exit_termdel	President departed before the constitutional exit date and did not try to relax her term limits. Values: 0-1 (no-yes).
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populist	President is a populist. Values: 0-1 (no-yes).
expected_years_left	Years left to the president's constitutional departure from office. Values: 0-10.
enpoapl	Effective number of opposition parties in Congress. Values: 0-27.59.
v2xlg_legcon	Varieties of Democracy's legislative constraints on the executive. Values: .03-.95
v2x_jucon	Varieties of Democracy's judicial constraints on the executive. Values: .04-.97

oilmin	<p>Dependence of oil and mineral exports is more than 10% of Gross National Income.</p> <p>Values: 0-1 (no-yes).</p>
congress	<p>There was an active Congress.</p> <p>Values: 0-1 (no-yes).</p>
mp_h	<p>The president's party has more than 50% of the seats in the lower house.</p> <p>Values: 0-1 (no-yes).</p>
countrysize	<p>Size of the country in square kilometers.</p> <p>Values: 21,041-8,500,000.</p>
gdp	<p>Country's gross domestic product in 1990 international dollars.</p> <p>Values: 811-1,900,000</p>
population	<p>Country's population in hundred thousand.</p> <p>Values: 680-202,184</p>
totaltime_in_office	<p>Number of consecutive days the president was in office. Last day counted is December 31 of 2012.</p> <p>Values: 178-12,591</p>
cites2	<p>Number of mentions the president has in Google Scholar. Different name combinations were searched, including two first names and two last names. The combination that received most citations was used. The search was done using quotes and was conducted on February 17-24, 2014.</p> <p>Values: 0-37,800</p>
rated	<p>The president was rated by at least one expert.</p> <p>Values: 0-1 (no-yes).</p>
imr	<p>Inverse Mill Ratio.</p> <p>Values: 0-1.41.</p>

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